Mr. H. V. Rangasami.—We want more money for the districts. We do not want Trust Boards so much as the money Government give to them.

Deiwan.—Improvement in each district should be ordinarily effected from local funds. All the expenditure of all the villages in the districts cannot be met by Government. If there is any particular scheme for which the Kolar or other Municipality requires money they may pass a resolution and Government will see what they can do in the matter. I do not remember to have seen a single proposal from the Kolar Municipality except that for town extension.

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SUBJECT No. 140.

Non-interference by Government in Social and Religious reforms.

Messrs. Mahommed Sait, A. Krishna Rao, M. Venkatakrishnaiya, and N. Desikachar, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—The appointment by Government of special officers to promote the activities of Civic and Social Reform Bodies leads to the suspicion that Government is unduly forcing Social and Religious reform on the people. Hence it is requested that Government may withdraw such officials and refrain from diverting any portion of the public revenue towards such movements except by making special grants when they are asked for.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.—The Muncipality must withdraw the subject. Otherwise the general impression will be that this association may bring about all sorts of reforms. In Liverpool University there is a School of Social Science and Social work. In 30 or 40 American Universities the subject of Sociology is taught to fit men for administrative purposes and to teach them their rights and privileges. In America there is a Government agency for social advancement. Therefore, until people come forward voluntarily, there must be a Government officer.

Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya.—As a delegate of the Municipality, I wish to state that the officer is not necessary. In my individual capacity I am for the officer. The three members are absent. I do not accept their proposal. The Municipality should co-operate with the association. Ten times more help should be given from the State.

Reply of Government.—It is not the intention of Government to lend any officer permanently to the Association. Since the movement has just begun, Government had lent an officer to properly organise it. Government will withdraw him as soon as practicable.

SUBJECT No. 141.

Enhanced powers to Dharmadarsis.

Mr. E. Krishnappa, Nanjangud Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—In major Muzrai Institutions, the Dharmadarsis concerned are not empowered by the rules to deal with the temple affairs independently of the Amildar and during the absence of the Amildars on

tour or other work, important functions in the temples are not satisfactorily attended to. To obviate such difficulties, Dharmadarsis may be entrusted with enhanced powers and the rules suitably amended.

Mr. E. Krishnappa.—Each Temple Committee should have a Chairman and a Secretary. Each Committee must have power to give leave to the temple servants and to fine them and report any defects. All communications should issue from and to such Committee. They should be empowered to incur expenditure up to a certain extent and have some imprest money at their disposal. The power of vetoing Dharmadarsis' resolutions vested in the Amildars should be withdrawn.

Mr. B. Narasinga Rao.—If the institution of Dharmadarsis is to flourish, the power of Amildars must be taken away.

Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthi Rao.—Religious institutions should be properly managed under the sole supervision of Deputy Commissioners and Amildars. Extra powers are unnecessary to Dharmadarsis as they would incur unnecessary expenditure.

Mr. H. Krishna Sastri.—We do not want small temples to be given over to non-officials but big temples may be given over to non-official committees which will work under the control of Deputy Commissioners.

Muzrai Secretary.—Temples are placed in three classes. Small temples will be in charge of Panchayets, minor temples under Dharmadarsis and big temples under Deputy Commissioners. There are about 75 first class temples. The question of vesting powers in non-official bodies is under consideration. A draft has been prepared on the subject which will be published for criticisms and suggestions.

Dewan.—Government should have certain powers of supervision over the affairs of these temples. Otherwise, there would be irregularities and money might be squandered.

SUBJECT No. 142.

Nomination of successors by Matadhipathies.

Mr. Karnick Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Matadhipathis may be asked to give wide publicity to their intentions to nominate their successors and obtain previous consent of their followers. It is requested that Government whose approval is always sought for, may exercise great discrimination before sanctioning nominations.

Dewan.—It is an extremely democratic proposal.

Mr. M. Karnick Krishnamurti Rao.—Government makes grants to these mutts. They must have power to